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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

JOHN GUSMAN,
Plaintiff,
vs.

ACTING COMMISSIONER
OF SOCIAL SECURITY,
Defendant.

Case No. 5:21-cv-03118-VKD
ORDER RE
JOINT STATUS REPORT AND
STIPULATION TO AN EXTENSION
OF TIME
Re: Dkt. No. 16

Pursuant to the Court's order of January 18, 2022, the parties submit this status report and stipulate to an extension of time for Defendant to respond to Plaintiff's motion for summary judgment. This is Defendant's first request for an extension of time in which to respond to Plaintiff's motion for summary judgment.

Defendant needs more time because, due to the pandemic, her undersigned attorney was on unplanned, extended leave beginning in October 2021 and lasting into January 2022. Counsel returned to work (virtually) at the Office of the Regional Chief Counsel, Region IX just last week. Due to the

1 unprecedentedly high volume of Region IX's program litigation cases, as well as the extended leave of
2 other Region IX attorneys due to illness, maternity and paternity leave, and military obligations, this
3 case may need to be reassigned, perhaps to the additional staff who are expected later in January.
4 Counsel also needs time to determine whether the underlying administrative proceedings warrant
5 voluntary remand of this case.

6 For these reasons, Defendant respectfully seeks an extension up to and including February 17,
7 2022, in which to respond to Plaintiff's motion for summary judgment. This request is made in good
8 faith, with no intent to delay proceedings unduly.

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11 Respectfully submitted,

12 Date: *January 21, 2022*

/s/ Katherine Rose Siegfried
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15 Date: *January 21, 2022*

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17 */s/ Timothy R. Bolin*
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~~[PROPOSED]~~ ORDER

Pursuant to the foregoing joint stipulation to an extension of time, and for cause shown, THE COURT ORDERS that Defendant shall have until February 17, 2022, to file a response to Plaintiff's motion for summary judgment, with all subsequent deadlines per the Court's procedural order also extended accordingly.

Date: January 24, 2022


HON. VIRGINIA K. DEMARCHI
United States Magistrate Judge